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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 0219KR.043693

In Re Application of:  
**Grinding & Sizing Co., Inc.**

Serial No. **09/805,316**Filed: **March 13, 2001**

For: **Method For Creating Dense Drilling  
Fluid Additive And Composition Therefor**

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RESPONSE TO WRITTEN OPINION MAILED DEC 28 2001

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Sir:

Applicant acknowledges the office action dated December 28, 2001 and responds thereto as follows:

AMENDMENTS**In the Claims:**

In claim 1, line 3, please insert the word --raw-- before the word "base" and --dry-- before "pellet."  
In claim 2, line 2, please remove the word "substantially" and, after the word "consisting", insert the word --essentially--.